

REMARKS

The Claims in the case are 60- 64, corresponding to 47, 48, 49, 52, and 53 respectively. The only issue remaining in this application is that of alleged lack of written description, Section 112, 1st paragraph. The rejection under Section 102 has been mooted by cancellation of Claims 51 and 54.

THE REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112, FIRST PARAGRAPH

The Final Rejection asserted that the claimed subject matter was not described in the specification, and lacked written description. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection. The newly added claims recite the sequences within the scope of the description of the specification, using the "consisting of" language, in order to meet the requirement of the written description guidelines. Support for the new claims is found at pages 39-40 as well as the SEQ ID pages.

Review of Applicant's remarks, entry of the amendment, and reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested. In the alternative, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the paper for the purposes of appeal.

Under the provisions of Rule 116 and MPEP 714.12, this response, being filed by facsimile transmission, is believed to respond fully to the issues raised in the Final Rejection, is requested to be entered. Review of this amendment by the Examiner will not present any unreasonable burden, or necessitate an additional search. The Patent Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the rejection in light of the amendments and arguments contained herein and allow the claims and pass the case to issue. The amendments contained herein could not have been earlier presented. Applicants have reviewed the rejection and their application and believe that the arguments herein presented are responsive to the rejection and place the case in condition for allowance.

Notice of allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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